



# THE GREEN PLAIN PROCLAIMER

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## Schedule of Services

### Sunday

- Bible Classes 10 am
- Worship 10:45 am and 6:00 pm
- Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

### Elders

- Mike Ernstberger  
270-753-2108 Home  
270-293-7027 Cell
- James Pigg  
270-759-2145 Home  
270-293-2319 Cell

### Deacons

- Larry Enoch
- Bobby Hall
- Jesse Vincent

### Preacher

- Jonnie Hutchison  
Cell: 270-978-7569

### Supporting Works

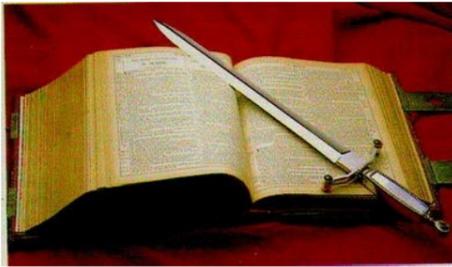
India—Dale Foster, David Nance, & Ronnie Gootam;  
MSOP—Eli Sales  
BIM—Duston Pool.  
Hatti/Cuba: Arnold Gerson

### Location

- Green Plain Church of Christ  
3980 Murray Paris Road  
Hazel, KY 42049
- Phone: (270) 492-8206

## A CALL TO ARMS *By Jonnie Hutchison*

If you have complied with God's requirements to receive forgiveness of sins through the blood of Jesus, you have enlisted in the army of the Lord. You are a spiritual soldier with the responsibility to "fight the good fight of faith" which will allow you to "lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:12). Rather than allowing evil to intimidate you to silence, as a



fighting soldier you must use the spiritual weapons at your disposal to "expose the unfruitful works of darkness" (Ephesians 5:11). No, soldiers in the Lord's army do not use guns, bombs, or missiles to fight the enemies of our Commander. Inspiration declares, "*For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ*" (2 Corinthians 10:4-5). Spiritual soldiers are armed

with the most powerful weapon against evil in existence. The Hebrew writer describes it in Hebrews 4:12, "*For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.*"

Though God has given us a powerful weapon against evil, we soldiers must utilize it and do so properly (2 Timothy 2:15). The Bible tells us, "*Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand*" (Ephesians 6:13). The Christian's armor consists of both offensive and defensive weapons including the "Sword of the Spirit" and the "Shield of Faith." Every part of our armor has its basis in the Word of God (See Ephesians 6:13-18). But until we put on the armor and go to battle, we remain vulnerable and susceptible to de-

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## NEWS AND NOTES

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** Green Plain members: Peggy Jarvis, Joanne Barnes, Maxine Pool, Jim Fielder, Larry Enoch, Mary and Jim Lowrie and Hayes Grady. Margorie Grady, is in rehab at Murray Hospital.

Family and Friends: Jerry Lovett, Teresa Tacker, Kenneth Mizell, Dale Pentecost, Brett Wyatt, Roger Rhoades, Joel White, Nat and Rita Evans, Larry and Rose Wyatt. Bonnie Byerly, Kenny Arrington, Jack and Michel Phillip. Please continue to pray for our brethren in Ukraine. Remember those this congregation is supporting in India.

PANTRY ITEMS June 2022: 5—Lima/Butter Beans; 12—Toothpaste; 19—Toilet Paper; 26—canned Potatoes. Please bring any additional items you wish for the “blessing box” which is located next to the breezeway on the north side of the building.

JUNE 2022 Anniversaries: 16-Teresa & Larry Enoch; 17-Jan & James Pigg; 21-Perry & Peggy Jarvis; 25-Jim & Mary Lowrie; Birthdays: None

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**HOME BIBLE STUDY;** We offer a FREE in-home Bible study entitled “Back to the Bible” for anyone who is interested in gaining more knowledge of the Bible. Simply contact us to schedule a time for your study.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** Our fall gospel meeting is scheduled for September 11-15, 2022 with Mike Kiser. The Fall Session of the School of Biblical Studies will begin on Monday, September 19th and continue for eight consecutive Monday’s. 7—9 pm..

### THOSE TO SERVE JUNE 2022

Announcements—Chad Canter

Preside at Lord’s Table AM—James & Mike

Lord’s Table PM: 6/5-Chad; 6/12 James; 6/19 Chad;  
6/26 James.

Opening Prayer AM: 6/5 Jim L.; 6/12 Larry; 6/19  
Jonnie; 6/26 Bobby

Closing Prayer AM: 6/5 Roy; 6/12 Dave; 6/19 Perry;  
6/26 Junior

Song Leaders: AM Perry; PM Mike; Wed Chad

Usher: Jesse

Count Contribution: James & Mike

### LESSONS TODAY

Bible Study-10 AM  
*A Study of Acts*

#### Worship

10:45 am— *“It’s Not all  
Bad News”*

6 pm— *“How Narrow Is  
Truth?”*

Wednesday Bible Class  
*A Study of Jude*

7:00 PM

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feat.

Our Commander-in-Chief is Jesus Christ. He calls every Christian soldier to battle. He is in the front of the battle, and we must follow Him to ultimate victory. *“But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory*

*through our Lord Jesus Christ”* (1 Corinthians 15:57).

Dear Christian, take your stand against evil. Answer the call to arms., put on your armor and get into the battle! And remember, *“For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world — our faith”* (1 John 5:4).

### **“FOR ME TO LIVE IS CHRIST” BY JERRY JOSEPH**

The words above come from Philippians 1:21 clearly reminding us that our everyday focus must be upon Christ.

He is what life is all about not just on some “special” occasion. How thankful we are for his death, burial and resurrection as Paul stated in 1 Corinthians 15:1-4. Of course, these things would not have occurred without His birth, His coming in the flesh (John 1:14; Philippians 2:5-11). You see, all things about Christ are important. Without Him there is no reason for living for He is the reason for...

⇒ Rejoicing concerning Spiritual matters – Philippians 4:4

⇒ Eternal Life – John 14:6; 1 John 5:11

⇒ Assurance – 1 John 2:28

⇒ Spiritual Blessings – Ephesians 1:3

⇒ Obedience in Pleasing God – Philippians 1:21; Hebrews 5:8-9

⇒ Never Fearing Death – Philippians 1:21

—St. Peter’s church of Christ

### **PLAYING BY THE RULES** *By Kevin Cauley*

A friend of mine, who is a member of the church in another town, talked me into signing up to be an official (“referee”) for high school football. So, I signed up and am having a lot of fun with it. There are many rules to the game of football. (I have a whole book to prove it.) Those rules are what make the game worth watching. When the teams play according to the rules, everyone has an enjoyable experience – the fans, the players, the coaches, the officials. It’s when the players don’t play by the rules that the game becomes taxing. Think back to your childhood for a minute when you or one of your friends decided

to make the rules instead of having an objective standard of play for everyone. Basically what happens is that your “game” devolves into a shouting match and free-for-all. No one knows what is happening anymore, and people stop playing because it is too confusing.

The same thing can happen with religion. The Bible gives us a set of “rules,” if you will, (they are really commandments) that we should follow so that we may have unity. When we don’t follow the Lord’s “rules” then we create disunity, we have shouting matches, and

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### COME VISIT WITH US

The church building is located southeast of Murray one mile off highway 641 - Near the corner of the Green Plain and Murray Paris Roads. We look forward to seeing you!

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people stop “playing” because of the confusion. So many today want to do whatever they want in religion, and this is what creates the difficulties. Instead of seeking to please ourselves, we ought to be seeking to please God. The apostle Paul wrote, “Finally then, brethren, we

urge and exhort in the Lord Jesus that you should abound more and more, just as you received from us how you ought to walk and to please God” (1 Thessalonians 4:1). This ought to be our aim while playing the “game of life.”

—[Church of Christ Articles - Bible Based Articles for the Edification of All Creation.](#)

### FIVE FIRSTS TO SUCESS

- ◇ Give God the **FIRST HOUR** of your day.
- ◇ Give God the **FIRST DAY** of the week.
- ◇ Give God the **FIRST PORTION** of your pay.
- ◇ Give God the **FIRST CONSIDERATION** in every decision.
- ◇ Give God the **FIRST PLACE** in your heart.



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